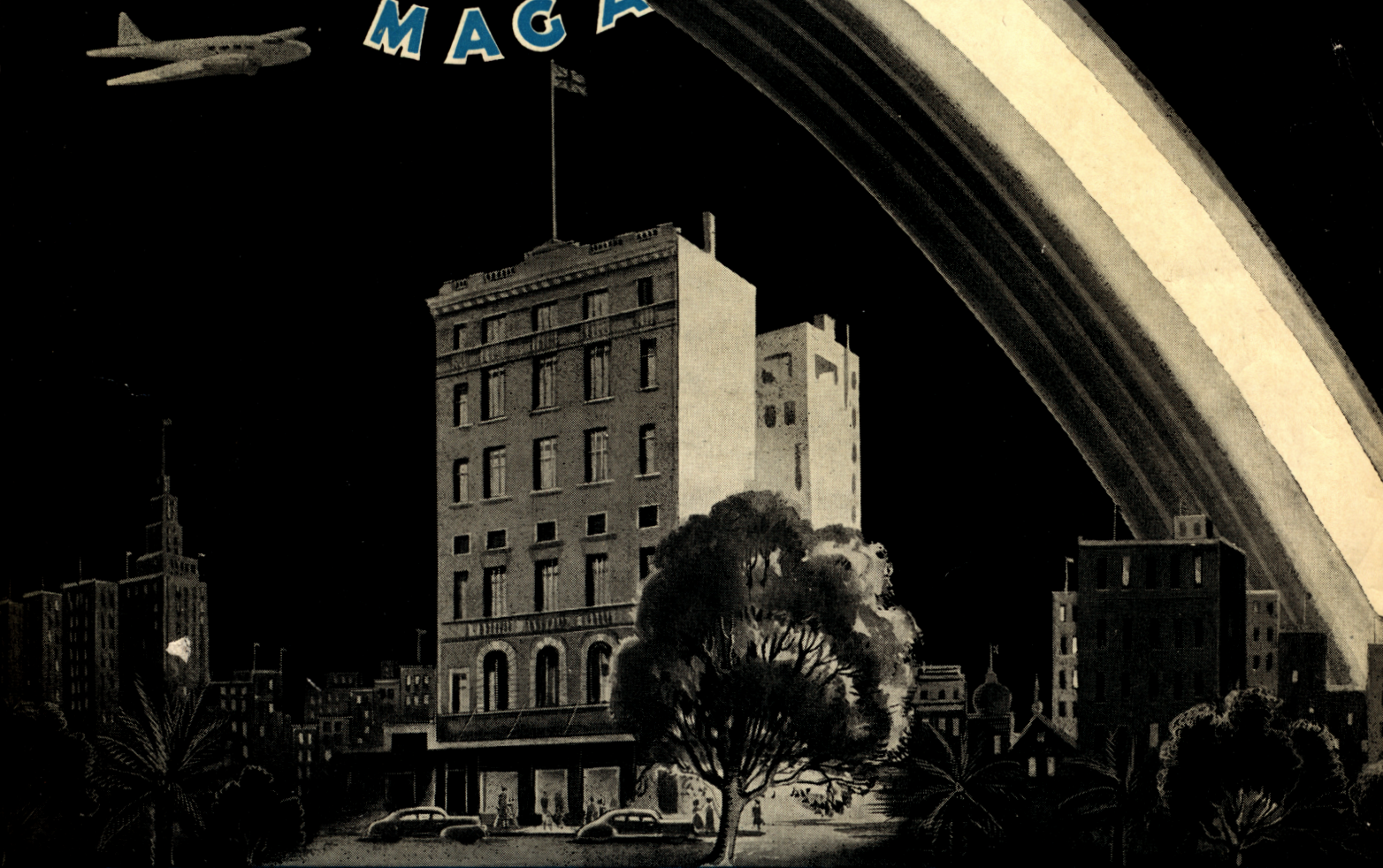


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King Football

JUST which is the best of the four games—Rugby Union, League, Soccer, Australian Rules—is a matter of personal preference, perhaps personal background, nothing of which concerns us immediately.

Each code claims supporters in this club. Rankling controversy is kept out of discussions. Whether W. J. Wallace (R.U., New Zealand) was a greater threequarter than Dally Messenger (League, Australia), or whether Gwynn Nicholls (R.U., Wales) was greater than either, is probably a hairline decision.

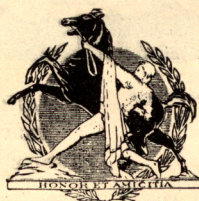
Everybody acknowledges that all three were great and, deductively, a game must be great, or have something of greatness, to produce great players. Otherwise, no great player would squander his talents in the colourless or the mediocre. He would turn to a more fitting medium.

Let us then greet the return of King Football as befits a King, in whichever realm he reigns, and trust that, ere he bows out again, before the season of the willow, he will have contributed as much in sporting values to the common pool as in chips to the coffers of a particular code.

If we have a regret, it is this — and it applies to all games in all seasons: there are too many of the younger generation looking on instead of playing; perhaps too many youths turning from the robust games to the less exactingly-gearred pastimes of middle age. Youth is the time to play hard, which is a reason why any prospect of a greater proportion of playing areas going to the games of youth would cheer us considerably. The reverse would be definitely dispiriting.

This season British teams of footballers, Rugby Union and League, are with us. Britain, the country that ploughed under many of its playing fields for cultivation in war-time, that survived the impact of mechanised might such as was never before assembled, this is the country still challenging all nations on the field of sport.

From that country come our kinsmen, the members of the Rugby Union and Rugby League teams. Both codes here will benefit from their presence. Sport and sportsmanship will be made a contribution greater than that told by the turnstiles.



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The Club Man's Diary

BIRTHDAYS

JUNE

1st I. Green	17th Dr. J. C. B. Allen
Norman Barrell	P. P. Hassett
S. E. Armstrong	19th N. Schureck
2nd G. B. Murtough	Neil McKenna
5th F. A. Comins	20th F. G. Underwood
7th Hans Robertson	Claude Cornwell
9th S. Baker	21st Lal Bowden
11th C. E. Young	23rd Ray Vaughan
14th S. E. Thomas	27th Rev. Geo. Cowie
15th John Ruthven	29th A. J. Genge
16th Frank Shepherd	C. A. Shepherd

JULY

4th J. A. Abbs	17th L. Mitchell
8th C. Horley	19th A. H. Stocks
11th I. E. Ives	27th John Colquhoun
13th F. C. Belot	28th L. J. Maidment
15th W. M. Gollan	C. B. Lawler
R. C. Chapple	30th Robert Mead
A. J. Chown	

Members are invited to notify the Secretary of the date of their birthday.

BRIAN CROWLEY, owner of High Spirits, was particularly elated at his horse's win in the main event of the day at the Club's May Meeting, the James Barnes Plate. As he explained to other members after the race, he had won the same event eleven years ago with his mare Hilarius, dam of the winner to High Caste, and he had particularly set his heart on winning the race again.

EVERYONE who admires a patron of the turf who races for sport will wish that His Nibs (by Gold Nib) will turn out trumps for E. R. Williams. Chosen in N.Z. by Maurice McCarten, His Nibs won five times and was placed four times in 12 starts. Perhaps he will compensate for the breakdown of Dizzy in a race when he appeared likely to win, and at a stage in his career when he was coming good.

CHILLY wind on the day of a Canterbury meeting in May caused S.T.C. members to don overcoats. "What's it all about?" asked Bert Brown, formerly chairman of Orange Jockey Club. Bert, himself without overcoat, commented: "Obviously all those fellows never spent a winter in Orange."

CLUBROOM event: Jack Wyatt has moved to his winter quarters—across the room.

MELBOURNE member, Jack Phillips has secured a first-booking for the spanking new and shortly-to-be-opened Hayman Island Hotel, off the Barrier Reef. His hopes are for a first rate holiday . . . and plenty of fish.

WALTER CAVILL is leaving this month on another tour overseas—America, England, Paris. He will follow his usual rule of looking in on a race meeting or other sporting fixture when opportunity occurs and time permits.

JIM FLEMING left this month for an overseas tour, accompanied by his wife and their son, Jim. Mesdames Jim and George Fleming own Ragazza and Belleborough (now called Keeborough)—gifts from their husbands who are partners in a stud property at Cowra.

GIFT of £50,000 to the University of Sydney by club member Adolf Bassar is a magnificent gesture—adds to the many generous gifts, large and small, made by members to worthy objects over the years.

IN one of the early heats of the Snooker tournament, Gerch Fienberg, receiving 20, and A. A. Ray, receiving 50, played a fast and interesting game, Ray winning on the pink ball. Fienberg commenced brilliantly, and made a break of 23, bringing him within 4 points of his opponent. Ray then potted a difficult red and blue, also the yellow and green. At this stage of the game Fienberg required the last four balls to win. With two good shots he potted the brown and the blue, but played rather a weak safety shot on the pink, leaving a fairly easy cut in on the top pocket for Ray to pot and win the game.

Both players are to be congratulated on the high standard of play, which augurs well for future games.

AMONG the guests and visitors to the Club's luncheon and meeting at Randwick on 20th May were Dave Mackie and Brian O'Donnell, Chairman and Secretary, respectively, of Newcastle Tattersall's Club. They saw a fine day's racing—no protests, and a particularly fine win by the favourite in the main event.

CHAIRMAN John Hickey was unfortunately unable to attend the meeting at Randwick on 20th May, John Roles acting in his stead.

ON the sick list: Club members Bill Nelson and George Jeffrey. Our good wishes for a swift return to health.

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Reading and Writing Room
Bottle and Grocery Dept.
Bar
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1st Floor Mezzanine :

Barber Shop
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2nd Floor :

Card Room
Billiards Room
Bar
Administrative Offices
Buffet

3rd Floor :

Swimming Pool
Handball Courts
Gymnasium
Massage Room
Hot Room
Rest Room

3rd Floor Mezzanine :

Ladies' Retiring Room

4th Floor :

Dining Room
Lounge Bar
Coffee Lounge

5th Floor :

Bedrooms

RECENTLY-JOINED member Dave Chrystal scored a popular win in the first race on 20th May with his three-year-old Traveller. Name of the horse was appropriately chosen when the owner and Frank Carberry met in New York last year. Traveller was bred in the purple; his dam, May, who was bred by Club member Mr. J. Y. Black, is by The Buzzard from May Morn by Manfred from Yippingale (imp.) by William the Third from Chelandry. The horse's association with the Club goes even further—he was bred at Segenhoe Stud by member Lionel Israel, and trained by member Harry Plant.

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PARTICULARLY interesting game in the first round of the Snooker was keenly fought between George Watson and C. R. Bryden. Watson early caught and passed Bryden, ahead on handicap; but Bryden replied strongly, and at the final stage required only blue, pink or black to win. Watson took blue and pink, then attempting to play safe, left the black before the bottom pocket, directly opposite his opponent's ball for the straightest possible pot. Bryden tried to screw, but only stunned the ball and trickled after the black into the pocket, giving Watson the game.

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BOWLER Charlie Young, looking through the book at Randwick on 13th May for likely winners, backed "Yardon" in the Juvenile Novice—just because "yard on" is a common skip's direction in the game. The horse was a yard over rather than a yard short—romped in to win in fine style, at 100 to 1.

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HARDY evergreen, Reg. Alderson, played particularly fine billiards to beat his opponent in the Club Billiards Tournament, with several well-controlled breaks of over 25.

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The Club Man's Diary—Continued

RANKS of the "Top of the Room Club"—so-styled by home habits of the club room to identify a corner under the windows overlooking Elizabeth Street — have been thinned by the passing, in order, of Tom Cleaver, Jim Black, Ben Richards and Bill Crothers, all good men and true.

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BILL CROTHERS was a noted authority on breeding. He was capable of running off the pedigrees of the more important Australian performers. He had seen in action the great ones from before Carbine's day. He might have expressed in a book this knowledge and experience had it not been for his reserve. Only the oldsters knew of his record as an amateur rider—more than 100 wins, including a victory at Randwick.

Bill Crothers was a great friend and admirer of W. H. Mackay, father of Keith Mackay (A.J.C. committee-man) and Bill Mackay. Yet Bill Crothers always stressed that this friendship and admiration did not prejudice him in declaring Beauford—bred by Mr. Mackay—a greater horse than Gloaming, irrespective of their records and their races—called match races—in Sydney. Bill Crothers reckoned that Beauford would have ranked among "the greatest ever" of the Australian turf had he been more robust.

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HARRY CANTOR, who died in May, was among the senior members of the club, in years as well as in term of membership. He was gifted with a happy nature, looked on the bright side of life and talked of the bright things.

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AMONG the thousands on Epsom Downs who saw the French thoroughbred Galcador beat the favourite in the English Derby were Club members Tom Powell, Fred Vockler and Arthur Norton. Talking by phone to Ken Ranger, they expressed intentions of backing Prince Simon... it's to be hoped they had a placebet as a saver.

ANNUAL SNOOKER TOURNAMENT

RESULTS TO 23/5/50

Brice, C. S.	beat	Crome, C.	by	7
Scarf, C. F.	"	Davis, E. E.	"	14
Ray, A. A.	"	Fienberg, G.	"	24
Welch, E. N.	"	Norris, B. M.	"	33
Webster, G.	"	Ezzy, F.	"	37
Chambers, C. O.	"	Lane, B. M.	"	40
McGill, A. J.	"	Brennan, F.	"	13
Fidden, K. F. E.	"	McGrath, P. W.	"	66
Dunk, C.	"	Belot, F. C.	"	20
Norton, S. M.	"	Hayes, W.	"	20
Chiene, G.	"	Donohoe, C. J.	"	48
Millar, E. J.	"	Sellen, W. H.	"	13
Davis, Jack	"	Robson, E. M.	"	20
Booth, E. H.	"	Abbott, R. H.	"	17
Fingleton, L. J.	"	Foley, H.	"	21
Parker, C. L.	"	Harris, W. G.	"	12
Richards, V.	"	Brown, J. G.	"	25
Relton, S. R.	"	Fredman, H.	"	26
Schwarz, P. J.	"	Silk, I.	"	8
Gelling, A. C.	"	Melville, J.	"	10
Howarth, R. J.	"	Askew, W. E.	"	46
Rattray, R.	"	Flack, L. R.	"	4
Smith, P. E.	"	Paul, P.	"	56
Monro, J. K.	"	Mulligan, H. M.	"	45
Watson, G. J.	"	Bryden, G. R.	"	3
Reading, Dr.	"	Tasker, L.	"	1
Lotherington, D.	"	Keighery, W. P.	"	forfeit
Bull, A. G.	"	Hickey, J. D.	"	10

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ANNUAL BILLIARDS TOURNAMENT

RESULTS TO 23/5/50

Kent, H. F.	beat	Still, F.	by	forfeit
Chown, A. J.	"	Mead, R. G.	"	forfeit
Hannan, W. M.	"	Dovey, W. G.	"	112
Robertson, H. J.	"	Robinson, H. H.	"	61
Scarf, C. F.	"	Schwarz, P. J.	"	32
Longworth, W.	"	Peters, S.	"	16
Peoples, J. H.	"	Hayes, W.	"	38
Barrett, J. H.	"	Bryden, G. R.	"	5
McDonald, W. A.	"	Buckle, A. R.	"	64
Watson, G. J.	"	Williams, E. R.	"	36
Howarth, L. H.	"	Browning, A.	"	14
Edwards, W. S.	"	Buck, A.	"	forfeit
Alderson, R. H.	"	Seamonds, N.	"	10

SURFERS' PARADISE has set Joe Harris up well... he's looking very fit after his recent holiday there.

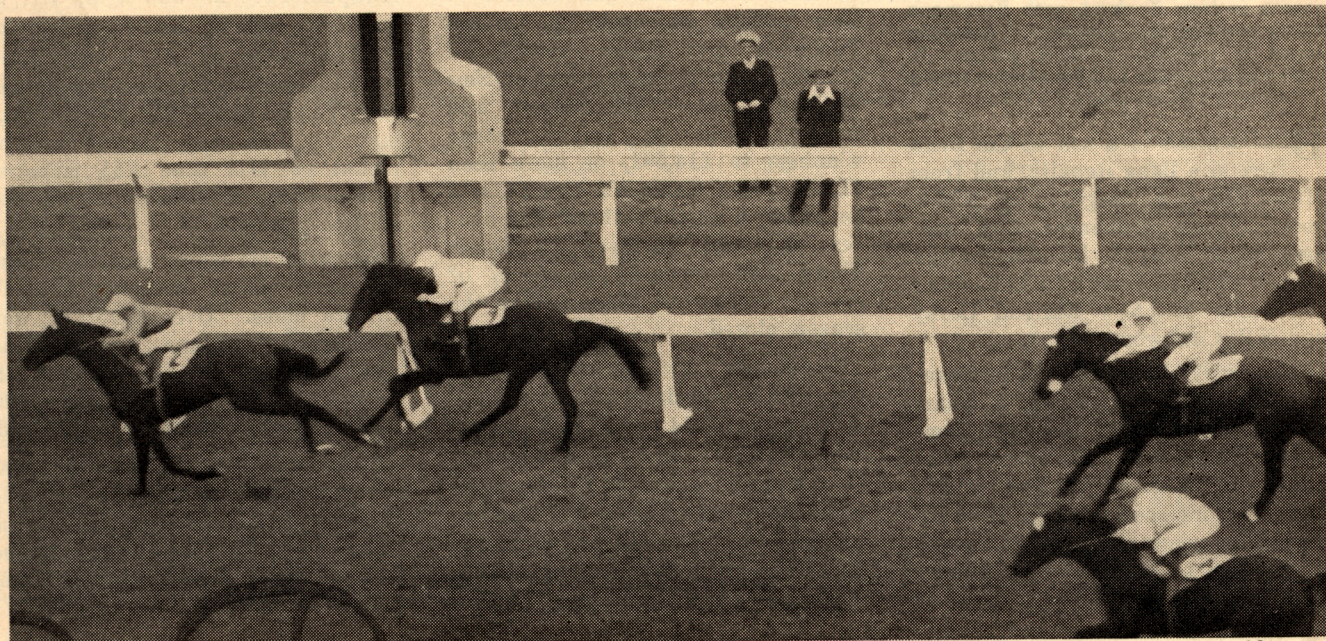
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BOWLING members, Alf. Bloomfield and E. A. Collins, recently had the honour of beating Champion of Champions Bosisto and his partner in the City Bowling Club Pairs Championship.

Judge was lunching one very hot day at a city hotel. A politician stopped beside his table. "Judge," he said, "I see you're drinking coffee. That's a heating drink. In this weather you want to drink iced drinks, Judge—sharp, iced drinks. Did you ever try gin and ginger ale?" "No," said the judge, "but I have tried several fellows who have."

CLUB'S SUCCESSFUL MAY FIXTURE

• All acceptors in the main double kept their engagement at the Club's May meeting at Randwick, which was conducted in fine weather and enjoyed a good attendance.



(Courtesy "S.M. Herald.")

High Spirits winning the James Barnes Plate from Erpingham, with Jenval third.

RAIN earlier in the week made the going heavy, but the only outsider to win was Arrowsmith at 66 to 1 in the Welter. He had won in similar company at Randwick at 100 to 1 three years ago but few were prepared for another surprise victory.

Twelve went to the post for the Flying, and four had strong support, three of them, Heroic Sovereign, Blue Flag and Darelle filling the places. It was an excellent effort on the part of Heroic Sovereign to carry 9st. on a dead track. Running the six furlongs in 1.13, he was always handy to the pace-makers, and, capably handled by W. Cook, finished too well for Blue Flag, who wasn't too well placed for more than half the journey. Darelle was a modest third.

High Spirits, owned by A.J.C. committeeman, Mr. B. H. Crowley, and which was supported from 4 to 1 to 9 to 4, was an easy winner of the James Barnes Plate, so-called after a former popular chairman, and won over the years by some of Randwick's most noted middle-distance gallopers.

Erpingham, carrying the colours of owner-trainer Keith Duggan, almost stole the race. Erpingham led from the mile post to within the final half-furlong, but couldn't quite stay the mile and a quarter and 32 yards. Jenval, an outsider like Erpingham, filled third place, with the well-fancied Yamboon fourth. Second favourite Kymac didn't beat a horse home, and was biggest disappointment of the race.

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BEAUMARIS —

Record-breaking New Zealand 3-yr-old

Three-year-olds have enjoyed a vintage season in New Zealand, with Beaumaris easily greatest stakes-winner. Australia hopes to see this brilliant galloper in action at Randwick and Flemington spring carnivals.

BEAUMARIS is a son of the Beau Pere sire Beau Repaire, and from Mabel Rose, a daughter of Night-march (1929 Melbourne Cup winner) and Amyril by Psychology (imp.). Mabel Rose is a half-sister to Pensacola (New Zealand Derby and N.Z. Canterbury Cup).

The crack three-year-old is closely related to Beau Vaals, a smart Dominion winner in the best company. Mabel Rose, like many other dams of top-class winners, didn't race. An interesting angle from an Australian viewpoint is that Amyril is a sister to Perception, a winner of four races in N.S.W.

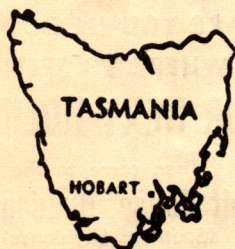
When Beaumaris ran second in New Zealand St. Leger, he passed Tauroch's prize-money record of £13,475 for a three-year-old in New Zealand. Later Beaumaris won Awapuni Gold Cup, bringing stake winnings to £14,581, or more than £1,000 above Tauroch's figures, and he added a further £1,250 for success in Great Northern St. Leger. There then appeared prospects of making further additions before the season closed.

Beaumaris' victory in Awapuni Cup was a well-deserved reward for a three-year-old who had shown consistent form in the best company. In a number of weight-for-age contests the colt had to do most of the spadework. He had to make the pace, then try and fight off opponents which had the drop on him. In the

Awapuni race he was again left to make the running, and he fought off challengers to win by a short neck from the well-performed Lord Manna, with Voltaic third, and Sweet Spray last. In this race Beaumaris completed no less than 25½ miles in races—truly a strenuous time for a three-year-old.

Some of his many races this season were run at distances from 1½ to two miles. Over latter he won Wellington Cup and was third in Auckland Cup. In New Zealand St. Leger he was a close second to Tudor Prince, with Super Snipe third.

Beaumaris started seven times at two years for two wins, but he came right into the limelight this term when, from his first 19 starts, he won six races, was nine times second and twice third.



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The Club Membership List was recently opened for a period of one month, and 1,150 applications were received. A ballot was held as to the order in which such applications should be considered. The limit of membership was increased from 2,000 to 2,200, the additional 200 to be admitted from time to time at the discretion of the Committee at the rate of not more than 25 per month. It is proposed to publish in this magazine each month a list of applicants. The following are to be considered in rotation. This is List No. 7.

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Swimming Pool Splashes

RICHARDS AND MURRAY FIGHT STIRRING DUEL

THE battle for the season's Point Score trophies waxes fast and furious, and the position, with two months to go, is full of interesting possibilities.

At present Vic Richards has a nice lead of ten points over Stu. Murray, but Vic is booked for a vacation at Bundanoon, and that means the loss of quite a few points in the two races he will miss.

He'll be lucky to be still in the lead when he returns, as Murray is in rare form and might easily gain the ten points' leeway.

As a matter of fact, Vic has threatened to come down for each race unless Stu. contributes towards his holiday expenses.

Consistent Clive Hoole is twelve points behind Murray and ten ahead of Harry Davis, and has an excellent chance of again getting into the big prize-money.

Best performances of May were put up by Peter Hill, who landed the monthly "pot" with a tally of 26½ to Murray's 23½ and Richards' 23. Peter won a heat in every race during the month.

Welcome to a couple of new members in Max Wayland and Allan McCamley, a brother of Arthur, who has been a shining light of the Swimming Club since its resumption after the war.

Eyeing them off has been Ted Emanuel, a stalwart and artistic Bondi surfer. Won't be long before Ted makes a splash, and it will be a surprise if he doesn't get into the money.

Good news of the month was the

return of Handicapper John Gunton to the Pool. He's improving daily after his serious illness, and finds plenty of enjoyment in watching with an eagle eye the time breakers and finishes.

Dave Hunter, too, is with us again and looking in the pink.

Best times of the month were 20-1/5 V. Richards, 20-4/5 W. Williams, 21 W. G. Dovey and J. Adams, 21-1/5 H. E. Davis, whilst Clive Hoole realised a long-standing ambition to break 22 by swimming a fifth better.

May 2 saw a heap of incidents, when Malcolm Fuller was "outed" for going before his time, and in a later heat both John Dexter and Bill Williams were dealt with likewise. In that heat Bob Richards, who finished last, got the shock of his life when he was announced as the winner.

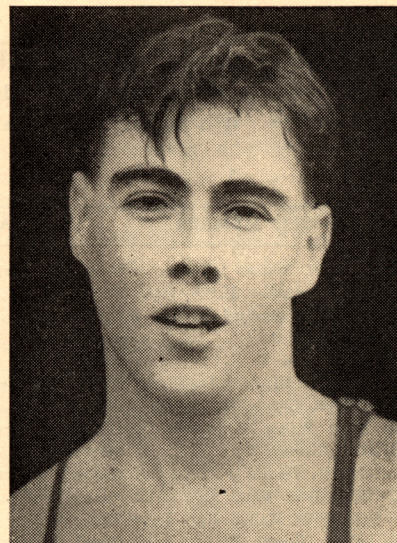
To complete the incidents of the day, the last heat saw a triple tie, when Bert Solomon, Harry Davis and Bill Dovey finished level.

Results

2nd May, 40 yards Handicap—1st Division Final: C. Hoole (23) 1, G. Goldie (34) 2, W. G. Dovey (21) 3. Time, 21-4/5 secs. 2nd Division Final: H. E. Davis (22) 1, P. Hill (23) 2, and S. B. Solomon (27) 3. Time, 21-1/5 secs.

9th May, 80 yards Brace Relay Handicap—M. Fuller and P. Hill (43) 1, S. B. Solomon and S. Murray (52) 2, J. O. Dexter and V. Richards (42) 3. Time, 42 secs.

16th May, 40 yards Handicap—1st Division Final: J. Adams (22) 1,



Bill Kendall—Club Champion, 1950.

—Photo courtesy "S.M. Herald."

P. Hill (23) 2, S. Murray (25) and V. Richards (20) 3. Time, 21 secs. 2nd Division Final: W. G. Dovey (21) 1, W. Williams (21) 2, S. B. Solomon (27) and J. O. Dexter (22) 3. Time, 21 secs.

23rd May, 80 yards Brace Relay Handicap—A. K. Webber and V. Richards (46) 1, S. Murray and J. O. Dexter (47) 2, P. Lindsay and Neil Barrell (44) 3. Time, 45-3/5 secs.

May Point Score

Results of this series:—P. Hill, 26½ points, 1; S. Murray, 23½, 2; V. Richards, 23, 3; J. Adams, 20½, 4; S. B. Solomon, 19½, 5; A. K. Webber and C. Hoole, 18, 6; G. Goldie and J. O. Dexter, 17, 8; H. E. Davis and W. G. Dovey, 16, 10; P. Lindsay, 15½, 12; M. Fuller, 14, 13; Neil Barrell and W. Williams, 12, 14.

1949-1950 Season's Point Score

With two months' racing to complete it, the leaders in the season's Point Score are:—V. Richards 144½, S. Murray 134½, C. Hoole 122½, H. E. Davis 112½, M. Fuller 112, S. B. Solomon 103, W. G. Dovey 103, J. O. Dexter 101½, Neil Barrell 99, J. Adams 98½, A. K. Webber 98, W. B. Phillips 95½, Arthur McCamley 93, M. Sellen 91, J. Shaffran 89, P. Lindsay 88½, G. Goldie 84, W. Kendall 80½, K. Hunter 78, W. K. Sherman 72, P. Hill 68, R. L. Richards 67½, C. B. Phillips 67.

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BOWLING NOTES

WITH the exception of one match against the City Bowling Club, our activities this month have been confined to games amongst our own and Double Bay Club members, usually composite rinks.

The match against City Club was played on City Green on 4th May, and we were accorded the warmest of welcomes by the President and members, as is always the case at City. We were beaten 105 to 84, but, considering the strong combination pitted against us, did very well. Details: Mitchell, Silk, Dowdney, Traversi (T.), 23. Kirkpatrick, Gubbay, Wilson, Blamey (City), 24. Booth, Hole, Jones, Hill (T.), 18. Downs, Higgs, Read, Green (C.), 25. Gawler, Barmby, Fingleton, Roles (T.), 21. Warren, Plaston, Magordie, Bloomfield (C.), 31. Young, Ruthven, McIntosh, Eaton (T.), 22. Brown, Rowe, Allison, McDonald (C.), 25.

For Tatt's. Charlie Traversi played an outstanding game, and had a substantial lead at afternoon tea, but on resumption did not get much support from the rest of his team, particularly his third.

Hon. Secretary Gordon Booth has arranged a long list of fixtures, which are as follows:—

25/5/50—v. Cinema Industry, at Double Bay.

1/6/50—v. Millions Club, at Double Bay.

8/3/50—v. Pratten Park, at Pratten Park.

15/6/50—v. R.A.C.A., at Double Bay.

29/6/50—v. Vacluse B.C., at Vacluse.

13/7/50—v. Millions Club, at City.

20/7/50—v. Pratten Park, at Double Bay.

3/8/50—v. R.A.C.A., at North Sydney.

10/8/50—v. Waverley B.C., at Waverley.

24/8/50—v. Bondi B.C., at Bondi.

21/9/50—v. Cinema Industry, at Kensington.

19/10/50—v. Pratten Park, at Pratten Park.

26/10/50—v. Waverley, at Double Bay.

7/12/50—v. Pratten Park, at Pratten Park.

14/12/50—v. Double Bay, at Double Bay.

Members will shortly receive a copy of the Bowling Section's Report and Balance Sheet covering the year's

activities, and also notice of a General Meeting to be held. It is hoped that members will attend in full force.

It is rumoured that one of our very prominent members who recently joined a Bowling Club on the Northern side of the water, has obtained the services of no less a personality than Gordon Sargent to act as his mentor. We advise any members receiving challenges to make full investigation before accepting them.

We hear that one of our members who likes a modest punt, played a great "Yardon" shot recently and substantial pecuniary gain resulted.

DEATHS

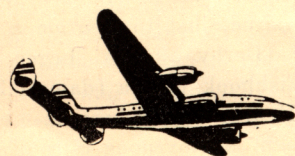
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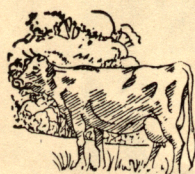
Fisherman...

Had Few Opportunities, But Proved Great Sire

Most Australians, especially turf veterans, are keenly interested in the historical background of racing, particularly from the early breeding side. Many of to-day's winners can be traced back beyond the eighties, adding to the interest of the enthusiast.

VARIOUS winners in other parts of the world have also as their breeding background some connection, sometimes a major link-up, with racing in Australia.

For example, Fidonia, winner of this year's Manchester Handicap in England, is a most interesting race-horse to Australians and New Zealanders. Why he is so has been told to American readers by Hal Daly, an Englishman, writing in the "Thoroughbred Record." This is what Daly told his legion of readers:



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It seems that Fidonia was purchased for just three cases of extra fine Scotch whisky, a price that would seem fair for some of the horses that I have seen in my time. The purchaser was one Halford, of the famed old-time breeding family of Old England.

From this Halford family America receipted for one of the greatest sires ever to come from Mother England in Leamington (imp.). He had won two Chester Cups and, after five seasons at the stud, came to U.S.A. and became, next to Lexington, perhaps America's earliest second-greatest sire. Leamington it was who sired the only American-bred horse to capture the English Blue Riband, Iroquois.

The Halfords also bred Fisherman, says Mr. Daly, which may be true, but my stud books say that Fisherman was bred by a Mr. Fowler. The records do show that a Mr. Halford some two years later owned Mainbrace, dam of the gallant Fisherman, who was foaled in 1853. He was by Heron and was raced first by a Mr. Starkey and later by old Tom Parr, who made millions, yet died a pauper in the public workhouse. Parr once owned Rataplan and Fandango.

Fisherman's story is, I am certain, well known to all in Australia and New Zealand. He won 70 races out of 131 starts, including the Queen's Vase, Ascot Cup (twice) and a big list of other top events. His last winning race was at seven furlongs, and he carried 10-13.

He had not enough silks, satins, buttons and bows in his pedigree to make him fashionable enough as a stud prospect and he drew practically a brush-off in his first season at the stud. Yet he did have class, for of his six coverings he got five in foal.

In 1861 a couple of diggers who had struck it rich, named Charles and Hurtle Fisher, climbed aboard

a vessel and set sail from Australia for jolly old London. They came unannounced, not like to-day; let a newspaper say that so-and-so is going to London and they meet you at the dock with an eight-cylinder car and a valet at your disposal, and that holds true here in America. Just let a Californian land in Kentucky and they will bow him off the train.

The Fishers, it was thought by some certain few, were a couple of "push-overs." They listened, sipped the Scotch (maybe it was ale); anyway, they went on out to some breeding paddock areas and were shown Fisherman. Truth is, he was reported as being anything but handsome; one writer called him ugly and very high on the leg.

Well, the Fishers wrapped up the deal for Fisherman and took along about eight mares. Those eight mares gave valiant duty, for among them were Swertha, Marchioness, Omen, Rose de Florence and Juliet. If you think they did not obtain a bargain, get out your stud books and see what those mares did. I'd love to have them here in America right now.

Good old Fisherman and his mares got there all the same after, it is said, a very rough passage. It was a shame that he lived only long enough to have two filled seasons. This great sire who, I understand, is buried on a hill near the Flemington course, was a sure-fire fellow, for he sired, just to mention a few, Angler (Derby and St. Leger winner), Fishhook, Sylvia (dam of Martini Henry, Goldsbrough, etc.), Ferryman, Maribyrnong (sire of four Derby and six St. Leger winners), and to him or his sons and daughters you owe Seagull, Robinson Crusoe, Onyx, Nordenfeldt, Trident, Navigator, etc.

WALTER LINDRUM RENOUNCES TITLE

Clark McConachy Likely Next World Billiards Champion

Walter Lindrum, famous billiards player, provided the sporting shock of last month when he renounced his world title after receipt of a challenge from Clark McConachy of New Zealand.

McCONACHY arrived in Sydney armed with the "authority to challenge," issued by the Billiards Association and Control Council of England (world governing body). Lindrum's reply was very much to the point: "Under no circumstances will I ever return to big billiards." That was that.

McConachy, naturally, claimed the world title by forfeit and it is doubtful if there is another player in the world who could last the distance with him in any title match.

In 1934 "The Big Four" was brought into being and consisted of Walter Lindrum, Clark McConachy, Joe Davis and Tom Newman. That quartette was, by general consent, far removed from even the usual class of champion. In the intervening 16 years much has happened. Tom Newman died, Joe Davis retired from competitive billiards and snooker, and now Walter Lindrum has decided to call it a day. Only McConachy is left to carry on the good work and one of his biggest jobs is likely to be getting others to challenge, although Sydney Lee, young Englishman, or Horace Lindrum may step into the breach.

Expert at Screw Shots

McConachy is famed for his ability to play "screw" shots of all manners more efficiently than any player extant and, if Lindrum had to retire, it is fitting that one of his longest playing associates should step up.

Lindrum and McConachy played their first big match together in Sydney in the rooms of Heiron & Smith Ltd., in George Street. They played a second game in Melbourne. McConachy won the first and Lindrum the second.

It was after that experience that

Lindrum came on apace to eventually reach the highest pinnacle in the history of the game. His feats were astounding and some of the most notable are appended hereunder; each is certified by the world controlling body.

At Southampton (1930), scored breaks of over 1,000 in five consecutive visits to the table.

At London (1930), compiled 11 breaks of 1,000 or over against Willie Smith.

Against Tom Newman, in London (1930), Lindrum returned the highest sessional average on record—2,664.

Scored 36,356 against Willie Smith in 48 hours' play.

Scored 4,815 in four hours' play.

Averaged 262 in a two-weeks' match.

Against Joe Davis, made a break of 4,137 (record).

Took the balls, per nursery cannons, $2\frac{1}{2}$ times round the table, to make 529 cannons in all.

In 1940, in a game of 1,000-up, went out first stick. His opponent did not score.

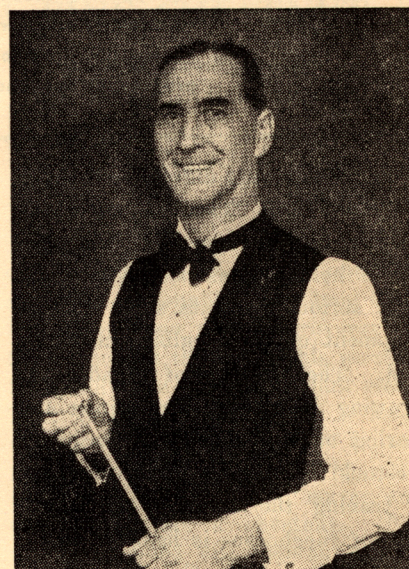
Made two consecutive breaks of 3,737 and 3,752 in Melbourne (1944).

In our own club, in 1941, made a run of 100 in 38-3/5 secs. Other fast scoring was 1,011 in 30 minutes at Manchester; 663 in 15 minutes in London; 346 in eight minutes in Melbourne. And, so on, ad lib. The list of phenomenal performances is never ending.

About the New Champion

Clark McConachy has nothing to hide in his tidy record.

He was the first professional to score two runs over four figures in consecutive sticks — 1,036 and 1,178.



Clark McConachy, N.Z. Billiards Champion.

Has breaks of 1,943 and 1,927 to his credit and in all has scored upwards of 150 breaks over 1,000.

In a recent tour of New Zealand made eight breaks over 1,000.

Is also a champion snooker player. Best breaks—139, 137, 132 with another 120 over three figures.

Ran the balls backwards and forwards along the top rail 13 times to score 464 cannons.

Had his Royal Command performance before His Majesty King George V, at the Marlborough Club, London, in 1932.

Is both billiards and snooker champion of New Zealand and has been finalist in world title events at both games.

Although Australia, for the time being anyway, has lost the world billiards title, we can gain solace from the fact that McConachy lived with us for many years at Port Pirie, South Australia, and reared a family there. His father was a Victorian. Clark was born in New Zealand in 1895, is modest to a degree and certain to rank among the most popular of champions.

COLOUR IN RACEHORSES

Apropos the recent ruling of the Registrar of Racehorses (Mr. G. W. Lilley) in refusing to register Yearlings on the score that the progeny of two chestnuts must be chestnut in colour, it is not, as has been stated, "an acknowledged fact that the progeny of two chestnuts always is a chestnut," but it is a widely accepted theory that such is the case.

THERE is a vast difference between "Fact" and "Theory," especially where nature is concerned. The subject of heredity has been treated by many serious students since the development of the English thoroughbred. The theories of Mendel are throwing increasing light upon the bearing of heredity in all forms of livestock. The work of Bruce-Lowe in tracing the families or female lines of racehorses is based on fact, but his theories on the influence of the dam as compared with that of sire still remain theories only, though it must be admitted that they have provided much useful food for thought.

On the subject of colour in horses, the late Sir Walter Gilbey, Bart., who was a well-known and successful breeder of thoroughbreds, hackneys, cattle, pigs, etc., wrote, amongst some twenty-odd books on horses, a most informative treatise entitled, "Horses-Breeding to Colour." This book was first published in 1907. Such was its popularity that a second edition appeared in 1912. The preface to the latter edition reads as follows:—

"Horses, and other domestic animals, can be bred to colour, but only within limits. Few combinations of different colours in sire and dam can be depended on to produce a foal of a given colour, for in no quality is there greater tendency to 'throw back' to an ancestor than colour."

Chestnuts Once Rare

As regards chestnut thoroughbreds he writes: "One of the most interesting points in connection with the subject of colour in our thoroughbreds is the certainty with which the chestnut has gradually crept and

asserted itself to the exclusion of grey. In the first volumes of the General Stud Book (originated in 1791 by Mr. Weatherby and published in 1808) greys and bays were almost universal, the chestnut horse being comparatively rare. Those there are, with very few exceptions, are sons and daughters of Eclipse."

By H. F. FRIDAY

Eclipse was a dark chestnut, with white off hind leg and white blaze. Marske, his sire, was a brown. Of the four grandparents of Eclipse, only one colour is recorded—namely, that of his grandsire, Squirt, a chestnut. It is interesting to note that the two great sons of Eclipse, Pot-8-os and King Fergus were chestnuts. From the former comes Sir Hercules (black) by Whalebone (brown). Sir Hercules sired Bird-catcher (chestnut) out of the chestnut mare Guiccoli. Both of the latter's parents were chestnuts, namely Bob Booty and Flight, whose respective sires were also chestnuts. The colours of their dams are not recorded.

Chestnuts in Every Case?

Although there is ample evidence to prove that two chestnuts will usually produce a chestnut, there would appear to be no certainty that they may not produce a foal of another colour. The late Mr. C. C. Hurst presented a paper to the Royal Society in 1905 as a result of some figures which he collected from the General Stud Book. He found that bay or brown sires, both of whose parents were bay or brown, begat of chestnut mares, bay or brown

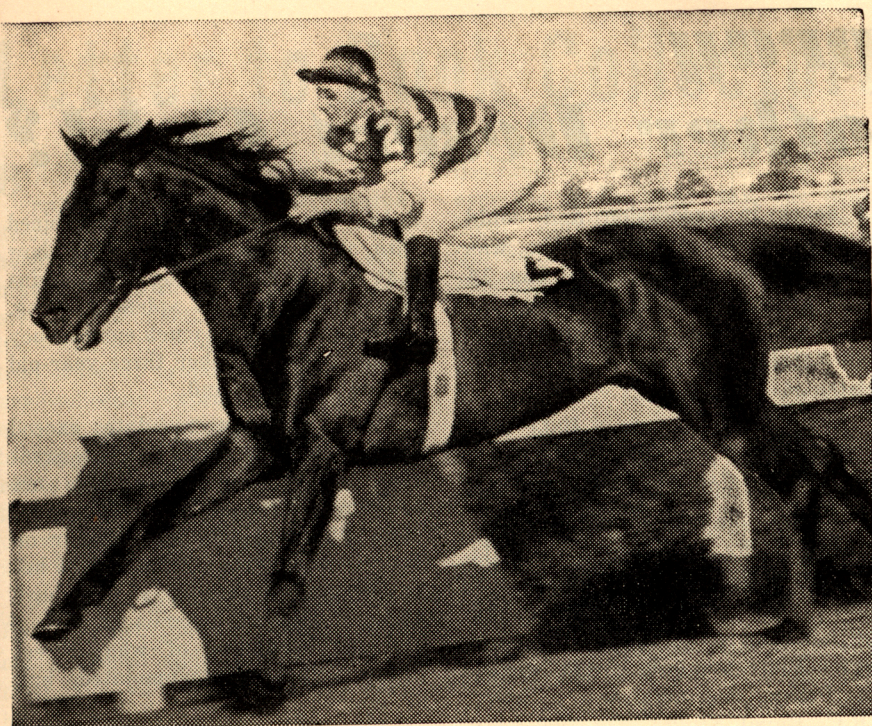
foals in 370 cases. On the other hand, bay or brown sires, one only of whose parents were chestnut, begat 355 bay or brown foals and 347 chestnut foals of chestnut mares. Chestnut sires put to chestnut dams produced chestnut foals in over a thousand cases. It seems somewhat significant that Mr. Hurst stated "in over a thousand cases" and not "in every case."

Doubtful Colours

There is a further reason for doubt in the fact that, in the first volumes of the General Stud Book chestnuts were comparatively rare, and it would seem quite possible that chestnuts could "throw back" to bays or browns, particularly so if both parents carried several crosses of St. Simon or Galopin, neither of which horses, it is said, ever produced a chestnut, although both were descended from the great chestnut sire Eclipse. The late Capt. Hayes, M.R.C.V.S., who wrote the most comprehensive book ever written on the "points of the Horse," remarked that "black appears to be a much less persistent hereditary colour than chestnut or bay, because in the produce of black dams and black sires, red pigment has a strong tendency to manifest itself." There have been cases of doubtful colours in the past—namely Sir Bevys, who won the Derby in 1879. He was called a "black"; but it is recorded that there was always a suspicion of chestnut or brown about him and he was described in the Racing Calendar as a brown. Cases of doubtful colour are worthy of notice as evidence of partial reproduction of the black coat.

Colour May Change

That greatest of all authorities on the Arabian Horse, the late Emir Abd-el-Kader, asserted that "with any coat, the colour changes in tone



A FINE CHESTNUT

*Champion handicap and
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and shade according to locality where the animal lives, the state of its health, the quality of water it drinks, and the food it eats." ("Horses of the Sahara," by Gen. E. Daumas—1863.)

It seems reasonable to assume, therefore, that imported sires from England to Australia could change the tone and shade of coat. If a horse is of a doubtful colour in England—say a very dark chestnut showing traces of black or brown—it is possible that his coat may change to a more pronounced black or brown tone after the animal has become acclimatised to Australia. The said horse, not being a true chestnut could well produce other than chestnut foals to a chestnut mare. The acceptance of colour of a particular horse as described in the Registration Form when the animal is a yearling can be misleading, as it is well known that many yearling roans become more grey with age to the extent that they are really more grey than roan. To a lesser degree doubtful blacks, browns and chestnuts can and do alter in shade of coat with age and changed environment.

Doubtful Chestnut Produces Bay

In regard to Shire Horses, Sir Walter Gilbey quotes the case of a bay mare, Notts Diadem (4824),

which was originally registered in the Shire Stud Book as a chestnut, but later described as a bay, by the chestnut Royal Sandy (3993) out of the grey Notts Gem. During the years 1890 to 1897 inclusive, Notts Diadem threw six bay foals; the first to the black Aldrith Prince (4204); the second to the bay Buckton Harold (11059); the third to the chestnut Protection (3960), and the other three to the brown Lincolnshire Reserve (12360). This is proof that a doubtful chestnut mated to another chestnut can produce a bay foal.

The big majority of English hackneys are chestnut in colour and Sir Walter Gilbey quotes that "there can be no doubt but that the chestnut is an impressive colour among hackneys; in other words, that it has a strong tendency to reproduce itself. A chestnut mare put to a stallion of the same colour, will almost certainly throw a chestnut foal. To illustrate the truth of this, it may be mentioned that during the 15 years 1891 to 1906 considerably more than 100 chestnut foals were bred at the Elsenham Stud by mating mares of this colour with Danegelt and his son Royal Danegelt, both of which were chestnuts." It is noteworthy that he did not say that every foal thrown by these two sires out

of chestnut mares was a chestnut and it is reasonable to assume that, had there been any controversy on this subject at the time of his writing, he would have made this point clear. That Royal Danegelt was a most dominant sire of chestnuts is apparent from the fact that he sired 62 foals from Elsenham mares and every foal was a chestnut. The mares included six chestnut roans, one roan and five bays.

Colour Only "Probable"

Sir Walter Gilbey goes on to say that "the conclusion at which the student of colour inheritance arrives is that, while the mating of parents of certain colours will probably produce a foal of a certain colour, there is a large element of chance in the matter. The relative prepotency of any given sire and dam can only be proved by experiment, and the result of one mating cannot be held a sure indication of the result of the next." Modern genetical science tends to the view that:—

Grey, which is not really a colour, is dominant over all colours.

Bay and brown, which are taken to be shades of the same colour, are recessive to grey.

Black is recessive to grey and bay. Chestnut is recessive to all other colours.

It is perhaps as a result of an attempt to incorporate Mendel's law of heredity with modern genetical science that it has often been stated that (a) a grey must have at least one grey parent and (b) the progeny of two chestnuts must be chestnut; and, while Mendel has exercised an undoubted influence on the breeding of livestock, it would be unwise to regard his experiments and subsequent theories as completely conclusive when applied to modern genetical theories.

Is Sweet Spray Another Desert Gold?

Desert Gold was one of the greatest race mares of all time, but some New Zealanders believe three-year-old Sweet Spray may prove her equal before she retires from the racecourse.

MAKING due allowance for the classy filly she is, and on her performances to date, Sweet Spray will be set a tough task to equal the record of Desert Gold, who won 36 races, was second 12 times, and third on four occasions, for £23,133 in stakes.

Perhaps after a couple more seasons of racing it will be known whether the latest challenger for top honours will make the grade to Desert Gold's class. Records are made to be broken, and Desert Gold's figures, which were considerable at the time she retired, are several thousands less than Flight's. Latter won £30,627, a record for a member of the gentler sex.

Sweet Spray has raced against the best company in New Zealand, and has been a consistent place-getter with several successes to her credit this season and several thousands in stakes. She is by Neptune (imp.) from Sugar Kandy, and has ample time to get even near the wonderful record of Desert Gold, who was unbeaten at three years when she won

14 races in succession and could stay as well as sprint. She was successful up to 1½ miles. Her 14 wins at three years were part of 19 she won on end. Gloaming equalled that total, but no other horse has beaten it.

At three years Desert Gold won the following events: Hawke's Bay Guineas, one mile; W.R.C. Champion Plate, one mile and a quarter; New Zealand Derby, one mile and a half; New Zealand Oaks, one mile and a half; G. G. Stead Memorial Gold Cup, one mile and a quarter; A.R.C. Islington Plate, one mile; Great Northern Derby, one mile and a half; A.R.C. Royal Stakes, six furlongs; W.R.C. Wellington Stakes, five furlongs; North Island Challenge Stakes, seven furlongs; Awapuni Gold Cup, one mile and a quarter; Manawatu Stakes, six furlongs; Great Northern Oaks, one mile and a half; and Great Northern St. Leger, one mile and three-quarters.

Victorian-owned two-year-old True Course, and best of her age in Australia, might also be in the running to challenge Desert Gold's figures if she can retain her grand form. There is no filly of her class in this country. Her wins in V.R.C. and A.J.C. Sires' Produce Stakes and

A.J.C. Champagne Stakes, combined with other wins in Melbourne, show that she is outstanding. Five wins from six starts is splendid going, and a portender for much more money in the kitty when her three-year-old season comes round.

Total winnings to date exceed £12,800, so she is away to a great start so far as big earnings are concerned. Sweet Spray is a top-class filly, but she has a year on True Course, who, by the end of her three-year-old season, should have amassed many thousands in stakes, and far in excess of what Sweet Spray will have accumulated, but, of course, this story was just to emphasise the view New Zealanders are taking of Sweet Spray's chances of topping Desert Gold's record. It will be hard going for the New Zealand filly.

Jim Clayton—Great Personality

JIM CLAYTON, who died last month in Newcastle, was a forthright personality, leavened by the gentler human attributes. For many years he controlled the destinies of the Newcastle Jockey Club. Jack O'Brien related, in "Sydney Daily Telegraph," that Jim was a behind-the-scenes man during a great deal of Rogilla's racing career.

Jim was a close friend of Les Haigh, who trained and raced Rogilla on lease, and was in on some of the "kills" on the chestnut. Rogilla

won the Sydney and Caulfield Cups and also beat Peter Pan at Weight-for-age. Jim always gave freely to charity and he never turned away a genuine appeal. In the depression even bookmakers often ran short of money and many of them went to Jim for a hand-out. There were plenty of punters who got a helping hand, too. Jim used to sit back, listen to their troubles, and then give them some advice. But what's more important, he always gave them what they came for.

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Letter to Book Collectors

Contributed by H. F. Chaplin, member of Tattersall's Club, to "Biblionews," journal of the Book Collectors' Society of Australia.

BOOK Collecting is not entirely a matter of first editions, scarce items of literature or poetry. The hobby covers a wide field which embraces the written word in almost every phase of human endeavour and it's well for the collector to retain a true sense of proportion. The literary collector expects to see rare editions of, say, Shelley or Dickens bringing high prices at auction, but raises his eyebrows when he hears that a copy of Madame Curie's book on radio-activity brings £50 in its first edition.

But why should he be astonished? Books record the whole progress of man's mental and spiritual development, and all original contributions, be they literary, scientific, philosophical or medical, are logical collector's items.

In scientific work the collector finds a wide scope for his activity. Take, for instance, the 1st edition of Benjamin Franklin — his work recording his experiments in electricity and published in 1751. This book has brought £200 at auction and will go higher as copies are found. Dr. Hertz, the discover of the waves which bear his name, has also entered the collectible class with his pamphlet. Published in 1853 it can still be bought for a few shillings. What will it bring in the future, when it is sought? De Forest, the man who made possible wireless telegraphy by his invention of the grid, also published his findings.

In 1904 he issued a News Budget covering the Russo-Japanese War, the whole of which was the first published report received by wireless. This is eagerly but unsuccessfully sought by collectors. These items, and hundreds more, are grist for the mill of the collector, for not only are they interesting in themselves, but they are the milestones on the highroad of human progress and understanding.

Musical Scores

The collection of musical scores, songs and first night programmes has already become an expensive process. What could be more fascinating or

desirable to any collector, whatsoever his media, than say, the first night libretti of Mozart's "Don Giovanni." Unfortunately there are only three copies in existence. But the collector can still procure copies of the early scores of Gilbert & Sullivan. These are steadily rising in price as their scarcity increases. A manuscript of an unpublished opera by Donizetti was recently offered for £150, but the discerning collector may still pick up original scores and manuscripts by Hugo Wolf for a few pounds. But not for long. Even in Sydney there are some scarce musical items. Songs built round the work of Charles Dickens were engraved and sold round about the seventies, but they are hard to find. Watch out for a copy of "What are the Wild Waves Saying," upon engraved plates. It is an item for the Dickensian.

Medical work has always been attractive to the collector, perhaps because so many of the early works are now scarce items of incunabula. But they are also desirable for their illustrations. Plentifully strewn with crude woodcuts they are picturesque items for the shelf. The crudity of the woodcuts is equalled only by the treatments in many cases recommended. These books are beyond the reach of most of our collectors but there are many important and interesting items yet to be purchased. Recently a collector secured, for a few shillings, a copy of Sir Humphrey Davy's book, "Researches Chemical and Philosophical," published in 1800. It contains the account of his work with Nitrous Oxide and also the making of his Safety Lamp for Miners. The importance of a book like this is apparent.

Another scarce item is the report of the researches of Dr. W. T. Morton into sulphuric ether. This was of great benefit as it made possible the technique for painless surgery. Published in "The American Medical Journal," it is exceedingly rare. Sir William Osler, who had one of the greatest medical libraries, did not possess a copy. He did acquire one,

however, upon his deathbed. When the volume was placed in his hands by his secretary, the dying man said "All things come to him who waits, but it was a pretty close shave this time." A pretty story and true.

Aeronautics

Flying and aeronautics, generally, is a happy hunting ground. A nice collection of books could be made with novels dealing with this new invention, as it was in the early part of this century Sinclair Lewis wrote his first novel, "Hike and the Aeroplane," under a pseudonym, and it is a very difficult book to find. A little-known and scarce book is "With the Night Mail," by Rudyard Kipling. First written for McClure's Magazine in 1905, it was later published in book form in 1909. It must have sounded nonsensical to the readers of that time, but, looking back, we are astounded by his prescience. It contains fictitious advertisements for all sorts of flying gadgets, and offers jobs for pilots.

Recently we heard at one of the meetings a fine talk on political pamphlets and their collecting. Whether or not Hitler's "Mein Kampf" is a political pamphlet is debatable. The fact remains that it is much sought in its first edition. In original boards, published at Munich, 1925/27, it has sold for £50 and will most certainly go higher. What will be the value in years to come of "Why I Fight," by J. T. Lang? The episode of the Eureka Stockade has set the collector another objective—the rare Carboni Raffaello pamphlet.

This drunken fracas inspired a pamphlet now eagerly sought but seldom found, although one was picked up in Melbourne recently, together with others, in a lot for 10/-. Many early political pamphlets published in Australia are rare and would provide a lifetime job for any collector interested in hunting 'hem down.

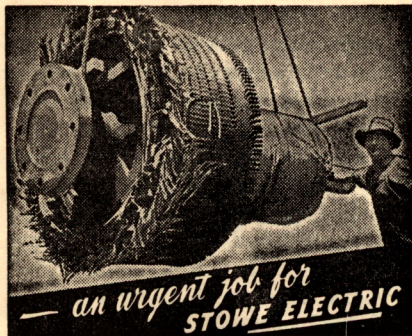
There is almost no end to the ramifications of book collecting but this brief commentary emphasises the fact that it has endless possibilities and is a jewel with many facets.

WIVES TO SPARE

IN how many countries is a man still allowed more than one wife? Investigations were made following a report that the 80-year-old Fon of Bikom, tribal ruler of United Nations trust territory in the British Cameroons, refused to go to hospital because so many of his wives would go to see him there. The Fon has 110 wives.

Polygamy is still practised widely in many parts of the world, though it has tended to decrease in recent years, if only for economical reasons. The Koran allows a Moslem four wives, but even in Moslem countries there is no unanimity. Hindus, too, are allowed more than one wife, and in many parts of Africa and the Pacific tribal law and custom governs the number of a man's wives.

The Fon is not an isolated example. There was a Sultan of Sulu in North Borneo who had 1,000 wives, and an East African chief of the Kikuyu who had 400.



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THE KISS: A Memory

THE suspense was exhausting: you could hear a pin (a hatpin?) drop when Rudolph Valentino, perched above his heroine's profile, sealed the defenceless lips of Vilma Banky with a kiss that lasted 30 seconds (and often longer).

Yes, indeed — that was picture-going in the mid-'twenties, when a kiss was the long-awaited high point of the film, and not (as so often now) a half-perfunctory aside.

It was the early films which brought THE KISS into public view in a way never known before.

Especially Valentino — the dream-hero, whose death in 1926 robbed thousands of an illusion that no one ever quite recaptured.

The Valentino kiss was a high-powered, super-charged moment (which provokes laughter now when the old films are shown) in comparison with the almost cool, almost antiseptic approach to-day.

The embrace . . . the girl's eyes firmly closed . . . the soul-searching stare . . . the flared nostrils . . . the hover . . . ah! the old technique is locked up in the film libraries of the world.

In fact, of course, the kiss of silent film days killed itself — by over-indulgence.

John Gilbert and Garbo; Pola

Negri, Mae Murray, the "early" Ronald Colman, Ramon Novarro, the Talmadge Sisters, Constance Bennett — there were many more besides who presented a man's love for a maid in a way which made "the reaction set in."

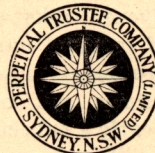
Notably in America came protest from this organisation and that against the over-sustained screen kiss.

The things which you ought to desire in a wife are: 1. Chastity; 2. Sobriety; 3. Industry; 4. Frugality; 5. Cleanliness; 6. Knowledge of domestic affairs; 7. Good temper; 8. Beauty.—William Cobbett, 1762-1835, "Advice to a Lover."

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The bride and groom came down to the coffee room of the hotel where they had spent the first night of their honeymoon. "Now be nonchalant and don't act as if we were newly-weds," quietly cautioned the groom.

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Australian Sires On Their Mettle In America

Sale of an Australian stallion to the American stud was given not the slightest thought a comparatively few years ago, but the remarkable success of Beau Pere drew marked attention to the quality of the antipodean blood, though it must be admitted Beau Pere was not sired here. All the same, his progeny have had a remarkable run in this country and in New Zealand.

FOR all practical purposes, Beau Pere could be called Australian, because majority of his stock raced here and the outstanding ones are now located at the stud and getting many winners. His immediate success in U.S.A. quickly hit the headlines, with the result that thoroughbred breeders were soon on the lookout for additional Australian blood, and now sires from "down under," as the Americans say, are on their mettle. Some of them brought amazing prices from the Australian viewpoint.

A few of the former Australian stallions already have sired winners, and a great future is expected for most of those sold to studmasters across the Pacific. They will have to do well to hold their own against the best English and American blood at the many studs in U.S.A. Australian sportsmen hope the comparatively recent departures for U.S.A. will prove top-class foal-getters.

It was the amazing success of Beau Pere which focussed attention of American breeders to stallions on this side of the world. An early price asked for Beau Pere in England was a mere 100 guineas; just another instance of remarkable turf bargains, and he was sold to a New Zealander for that meagre sum.

Perhaps his modest racing record—it left something to be desired—had a lot to do with his bargain price. Beau Pere changed hands and came to Australia and later still was sold to Louis B. Mayer for an unstated amount, but believed to be in the vicinity of 100,000 dollars, a princely sum compared with his first purchase price.

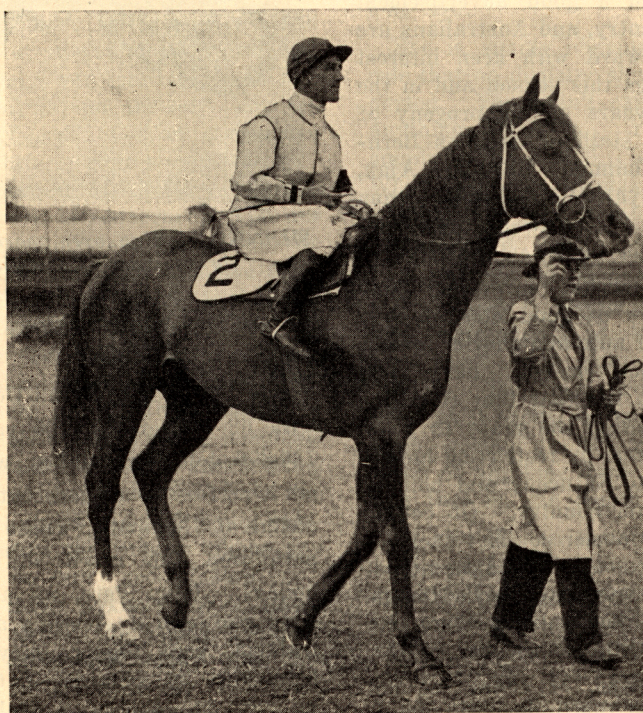
Beau Pere passed on some time ago, but in the last nine years half a dozen or more Australian stallions have found their way to U.S.A., some bought for big money, particularly

Bernborough and Shannon. Other Australian sires now in U.S.A. include Reading, Ajax, Colonus, Russia and Royal Gem. All of these have to earn their spurs as sires, and some might reach the headlines before this year is out.

Of the horses named, Shannon and

A noted breeding authority, after seeing all the Australian sires, went solidly for Shannon. Here is his opinion: Of all the Australian-breds now in U.S.A., Shannon II is the most attractively bred, and, to my mind, stands the best chance of becoming a successful sire of racehorses.

It has been the practice of some Australian thoroughbred breeders to buy English horses with modest racing records or with little in the way of race form, then breed along popular lines, yet many of these importations have proved top-ranking



AJAX—Sire who might prove successful this year in U.S.A.

Bernborough, of course, are the best credentialled so far as racing records are concerned. They are located at Leslie Combs' "Spendthrift" farm, where they will have specially picked mares. Shannon was bought for America at a high figure, and it is on record that a syndicate of breeders paid the colossal price of 300,000 dols. for the Australian-bred speedster who holds the mile record of 1.34½, established at Randwick in October, 1946.

sires. Valais, Magpie and Helios could be quoted as examples, but it is seldom that British purchases which develop into premier sires in this country sire horses in Australia that subsequently become leading sires. One notable exception is Heroic, who was leading Australian sire for seven successive seasons. His sire, Valais, was leading sire in Australia for five seasons. As a racehorse Heroic won £38,062 in stakes.

HOME OF THE BIG PURSE MONEY

Prize-money statistics seldom make interesting reading, that is, a voluminous list of heavy figures, but the colossal money to be won in America is amply demonstrated in huge tabulations covering U.S.A.'s 1949 season and applied to winners only. The few Australians who have looked them over have been impressed by their immensity. America is certainly home of the big money in racing.

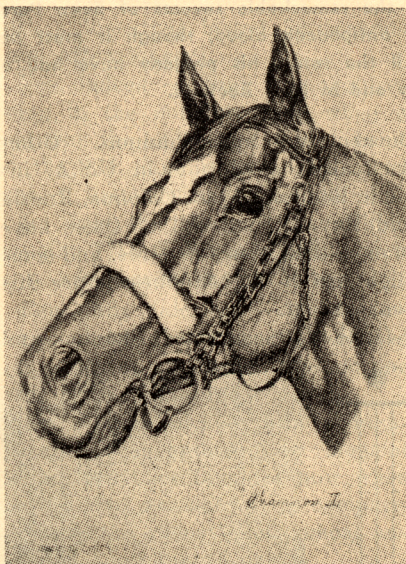
SEVERAL Australian owners have been attracted by the programming of big stakes in U.S.A., but in the main their interests have been from a selling viewpoint. They have disposed of racehorses in full training, stallions ready for the stud, or sires with a little stud duty to their credit in this country. Shannon won rich stakes before going to the stud there.

Majority of the horses sold so far have proved a good advertisement for this country, and Australians are looking forward with keen interest to the doings this season and in the immediate years of the progeny of well-known stallions such as Bernborough, Shannon, Reading, Ajax, Colonus, Royal Gem and others from these shores. Some already have won their spurs in their new country.

It is somewhat surprising that other owners of good class horses (sprinters of note and shorter middle distance performers), have not awakened to the fact that they are literally allowing the grass to grow under their feet by restricting horses of promise to Saturday and holiday racing in this country. Of course the ordinary owner couldn't sacrifice the time, nor could he find the necessary cash to travel across the Pacific to race his horses, but there are many who could do so.

The Magazine, of course, is not out to suggest that influential owners should get aboard the next boat for the land of rich purses. Australians want to see their best horses racing for the bigger stake-money here, and some prize-money has been boosted up in recent times, especially in Brisbane.

This article is simply to let readers know something about the fabulous money won by owners of winners, studmasters, and syndicates of owners during 1949. Figures recently compiled by experts show that one stud, Calumet Farm, produced winners of more than 1,000,000 dollars during last season—a colossal fig-



SHANNON—Won over 200,000 dollars in 19 starts in America.

ure and one which must surprise any Australian enthusiast.

Bull Lea, a son of Bull Dog (imp.) with 62 winners of 166 races and 730,896 dollars in stakes, was leading sire for the period, but not far ahead of Heliopolis, whose 58 winners won 146 races and 710,105 dollars. Beau Pere, an amazingly good sire both in America and Australasia, kept this country to the fore with 30 winners of 65 races and 251,315 dollars in stakes. He died a few seasons ago, but his name has been kept in the headlines for several American seasons. Reading had seven winners of 20 races and 52,162 in prize-money, chief contributor being Blue Reading with seven successive victories.

Ponder was one of the most successful performers on the racecourse, netting the startling figure (to Australians) of 321,825 dollars. That is a nice sum in Australian money. Coaltown won 12 races and was second three times from 15 starts and earned 276,125 dollars. These two horses were chief contributors to

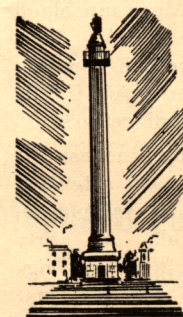
the 1,014,267 dollars won by horses foaled at Calumet Farm, truly a remarkable figure. Louis B. Mayer's stud was second on the breeders' list with 822,875 dollars.

The startling tabulation embraced 26,954 races run in U.S.A., Canada, Mexico and Cuba—what a headache it must have been for the compilers! Inventory covered 21,500 horses, and was restricted to winners only.

Solicitor was always lecturing his office boy—whether he needed it or not. One day he chanced to hear the following conversation between the boy and the one employed next door.

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What Every Bridegroom Should Know

What every fellow standing on the deep end should know is told by Robert M. Yoder, in "Saturday Evening Post."

YOU will have to understand, sonny, that curious changes come over a male when he undergoes the transition from a man to husband. Nothing so simple as a strange craving to be single again. It is an involuntary change of character, and you will feel a little the way the old hell-raising Mr. Hyde must have felt when he found himself changing back into kind, gentle, law-abiding Doctor Jekyll.

This is natural; you are simply becoming domesticated. Horses must feel the same way when first they feel that buggy behind them; young boys feel this way when told they must wear goloshes; dogs may feel this way when taught to heel.

Being a husband involves many an involuntary change of opinion. For instance, do you think that shopping is for women? Have they allowed you to believe at the office that you are too good a man to waste on the small details? Have you had a pretty good day, handled a lot of important things?

That's business, friend; married life operates on entirely different principles. Stop on the way home, will you, dear, and pick up a head of lettuce? This will take care of any tendency toward conceit, for, as you watch a crowd of pensive matrons hefting this vegetable and pinching that one, it becomes entirely clear that the frowsy lettuce you are accepting has been passed over by everyone who entered the store all day. Not very good at this are you? Well, buck up. It's just one of many little husbandly chores you'll find you aren't very good at.

That phrase, "on your way home" or "on your way to the office," is one you may as well get used to. This is one of the most elastic phrases in the whole female language. On your way to the office tomorrow, you may get time to take the toaster to a repair shop three miles off your route. The repairman will be enjoying a leisurely breakfast, the shop won't be open, and you can take the toaster to the office. Adjust your day, now, so you can drop it off on the way home. It's going to be a rare day from now on when

you aren't toting some piece of household equipment. But don't let it deflate you. Just be glad you haven't been sent out to match yarn or buy gardenia-scented bubble bath. Don't be too glad, though. That'll come.

Another thing you should understand is the telephone call from home. "Understand" is not the right word; if you live to be ninety you'll never understand it. Nor would understanding do you any good.

What happens is this: On your desk at the office you find a cryptic note saying: "Your wife called." You will call back; you can't help it. Women almost never 'phone with good news; if you don't know that instinctively, you learn it. You call home, and get no answer. You try again in five minutes, and again five minutes later. Still no answer.

The morning is shot by now, as far as work is concerned. You are busy imagining everything in the whole thick catalogue of home accidents. Your first thought is that she has fallen off a stepladder. Later you will learn that women prefer a bridge table and a hatbox to the finest stepladder ever built. You picture her as just able to crawl to the telephone before passing out from excruciating pain. Or perhaps she fell down the basement stairs and is flopping painfully toward the ringing 'phone and fainting on every second step.

It is three anxious hours before anyone answers the 'phone. Trouble? There's no trouble, dear. She just 'phoned to say that she was going out for an hour and wouldn't be home if you 'phoned. Why did she do that? Why, because she didn't want you to 'phone, get no answer and worry. She has been home for an hour or more, but was talking to the woman across the street—the one with the twins.

Now, this is a preposterous situation, but don't try to change it; you are butting your head against a custom as solid as granite. You can talk to your bride about it, but it will do no good; this is one of many subjects on which wives are deaf. They don't listen to husbands very attentively, anyway.

Another 'phone call you may as

well get hardened to is the one telling of domestic calamities. The way to save your nerves, son, is to notice that women make no firm distinction between what is happening and what has happened, nor do they tell a story chronologically.

One deep-rooted wifely custom is to seem to ask advice. They will 'phone to say that the vacuum-cleaner is making a wild, grinding sound, and acts as if it might begin to burn square holes in the carpet. You are twenty miles away, you know nothing about vacuum-cleaners, and, until you attain experience in such things, you are likely to get excited. Don't touch the thing, you tell your wife; disconnect it with a broom and set it outside where it can do no harm. Oh, she did that long ago.

She is simply obeying the wifely rule that no disaster should go unreported. You aren't expected to do anything about it. Your role is simply to say, "Well, I'll be darned." When you learn to make this sound genuine you are attaining professional polish.

Nor should you be annoyed if your wife 'phones in the midst of a business conference to say that the laundry won't have your shirts until Friday. This may trouble you at first, as it tends to suggest that the little woman doesn't think you do much of anything down at the office. The fact is, she doesn't.

If you like an ash tray that will hold a cigarette or a cigar when you smoke, then be smart: go out and buy yourself one. Among many little extras you married, without giving it much thought, are female ash trays—ash trays of egg-shell china, perhaps the size of a half-dollar. Women go in for these, because there is a prize for the wife who can set out the smallest, prettiest and most useless ash trays when other women are around.

Cigarettes invariably fall out, which is just as well, for if these doll dishes contain as much as one cigarette butt, the next user starts himself a pungent little fire. Don't fight the inevitable, kid. Get yourself a good thick ash tray at the dime store or steal one from a gin mill, and learn to carry it around the house with you.

ROUNDAABOUT *of* SPORT

DENIS COMPTON, famous English

Test cricketer and soccer player, has been having a bad run with one of his knees which the doctors say has "run dry" and bone is touching bone. His appearance in Australia later this year seems to be very much in doubt although his medicos state there is still a chance if he gives up cricket immediately. Compton was always popular, and during conversation in our club on one occasion gave a well merited retort to a member who said that autographers must be a frightful bore. Quoth Denis: "That's right, but when requests for autographs finish it will mean that I am finished, too."

To keep young, associate much with young people. To get old in a hurry, try keeping up with them.

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CRICKET arguments are legion but

it would be a safe bet to wager that if any body of men were asked to name the greatest bowler ever, that Maurice Tate's name would be freely mentioned. Strangely enough, England's greatest weakness is in bowling and for 18 months Tate sought a job to coach along coming champions without getting one solitary bid for his services. In disgust, Maurice has gone into hotel life and is now proprietor of "The King's Arms," a fifteenth-century hotel in Rotherfield, Sussex.

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THERE is no doubt the M.C.C. must redraft the qualification rule as a result of the Joe Hardstaff case. That much is admitted at Lord's where the implications of the Notts batsman's appearance for Auckland have been gone into. By playing for Auckland Hardstaff left himself open to disqualification from county cricket for two years, for no cricketer may appear for more than one county in a year, and a British Dominion or State is regarded as a county. The "Get-out," according to a New Zealand cable, is that Auckland is a Province not a State. Other English professionals like James Langridge and J. H. Parks have also played for New Zealand sides in Plunket Shield games. So there can be no penalty on Hardstaff when he returns.

But the intention of the rule is clearly being defeated. The funny thing is that it has been going on for years without action being taken. Hardstaff played for Auckland the previous season. Yet when Tom Pritchard, the New Zealand fast bowler, came here (a parallel case in reverse) he was made to qualify with two years' residence in order to play for Warwickshire. The rule must now be tidied up; otherwise, nothing need prevent English players migrating en-masse each close season to play Plunket Shield matches in New Zealand or Currie Cup games in South Africa.

A woman in Chicago got a divorce after charging that her husband played poker for high stakes with the boys but put on a threepenny limit when he played at home with her. "All I wanted," she complained, "was the same chance his pals had to win his money."

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A man, wed only four weeks, asked for a divorce on the grounds that his eyeglasses were out of focus when he married.

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Some French peasants still multiply numbers above five with their fingers. If a man wants to multiply 9 by 8, he bends down 4 fingers on his left hand (because 4 is 9 minus the 5 fingers of his hand), and 3 fingers of his right hand ($8 - 5 = 3$). The number of bent fingers gives him the tens of his result (7). The product of the straight fingers gives the units (2).

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Australian aborigines can sometimes count up to 4, never up to 7. African bushmen count like this: "One, two, very many."

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Presentation of the N.J.C. Corinthian Cup, won by Ambolo on 1st May. Left to right:—Mr. McLaughlin (per N.J.C.), Club member Claude Parker (owner), Mr. Box, Club member Clive Hooks (owner), Mr. Coates (amateur rider).



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Eight-month-old Jojo had belonged to Grosse's predecessor, and lumbered everywhere, both in and out of doors, with overwhelming curiosity. "He was very well house-trained," said Grosse, "and used to stand at the table at meal-times, stroking and blowing moistly, first one neck, and then the other, as he blarneyed us in turn, for a hand-out.

"He was forbidden to touch anything on the table, but when he

thought he had us lulled into a mood of warm sentiment, he would stick out his little trunk, and, with the uttermost tip, gently stroke the grapes or bananas, in the centre dish. If I glanced at him when thus engaged, I would find him positively squinting, in his efforts to watch both of us at once.

"The time came when he touched each side of the door as he entered, and thereafter, his entrance became more and more difficult. He was all right for height, but his shoulders and his bulging little tummy became appreciably wider than the doorway. The time came, of course, when all the 'breathing in' in the world didn't help him. He accepted the fact with resigned commonsense, and took up his position at the window, where he would stand, with his head inside, grumbling squeakily, and nodding like a mechanical toy.

"Poor Jojo met his end in front of a three-ton lorry. He had come down the drive with me, stopped to investigate something intriguing, and then, suddenly fearful that he had lost me, he came galumphing out into the road, just as a loaded three-tonner swung round the bend. It broke Jojo's shoulder. He was stunned, too, and he remained that way, thank God, for as long as it took my boy to run to the house and return with a rifle."

The lecturer was a faddist on food. According to him most of the stuff we eat ought to have killed us years ago. Meat was murderous, vegetables were vicious, and even water was full of germs. As a final burst, he pointed an accusing finger at one bored man in the front row of the audience. "You, sir!" he demanded. "Can you tell me what it is that most of us eat at one time or another, yet it is the worst thing for us?"

The bored man knew the answer to that one. "Wedding cake!" he retorted, without any hesitation.

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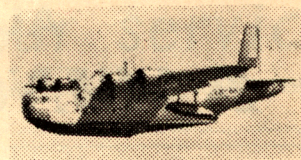
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 (At Canterbury Park)
 A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) Mon. 7
 (At Randwick)
 Sydney Turf Club Sat. 12
 (At Canterbury Park)
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 (At Rosehill)
 Sydney Turf Club Sat. 23
 (At Rosehill)
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OCTOBER

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 Australian Jockey Club Wed. 4
 Australian Jockey Club Sat. 7
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 (At Randwick)
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